

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-6 (canceled)

7. (currently amended) ~~The gastrointestinal system according to claim 5, A~~
gastrointestinal system comprising:

at least one traction member;

a carrier comprising an actuator in operative communication with said at least one traction member, said actuator moving said at least one traction member relative to said carrier, wherein a portion of said at least one traction member is sufficiently compliant so as to deform in conformance with a shape of a gastrointestinal tract during traction therealong; and

a pulley system,

wherein said at least one traction member is arranged for rotation about said pulley system, and

wherein said pulley system comprises:

pulley wheels;

a belt placed around said pulley wheels; and

spacers, which space wherein said at least one traction member is spaced from and connect[[ed]] said at least one traction member to said belt by spacers.

8. (original) The gastrointestinal system according to claim 7, wherein said at least one traction member is more compliant than said belt.

9-13 (canceled)

14. (currently amended) ~~The gastrointestinal system according to claim 1, A~~
gastrointestinal system comprising:

at least one traction member;

a carrier comprising an actuator in operative communication with said at least one traction member, said actuator moving said at least one traction member relative to said carrier, wherein a portion of said at least one traction member is sufficiently compliant so as to deform in conformance with a shape of a gastrointestinal tract during traction therealong,

wherein said at least one traction member comprises:

an arm;

a roller, mounted for rotation on said arm and operatively connected to said actuator; and

an elastomeric member applied over ~~[[a]]~~ said roller, ~~said roller being mounted for rotation on an arm and operatively connected to said actuator.~~

15. (original) The gastrointestinal system according to claim 14, wherein said elastomeric member is stretched over said roller.

16. (original) The gastrointestinal system according to claim 14, wherein said elastomeric member is coated on said roller.

17. (currently amended) The gastrointestinal system according to claim 14, wherein an outer surface of said roller ~~comprises~~ is shaped so as to define a plurality of indentations separated by walls.

18. (currently amended) The gastrointestinal system according to claim 14, wherein said roller ~~includes~~ is shaped so as to define a fluid passage arranged for fluid communication with at least one port formed in said arm, said port being adapted to be connected to at least one source selected from the group consisting of: ~~at least one of~~ a suction source and a blowing source.